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In response to the Final Rejection dated March 2, 2011, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interference from the refusal to grant the above-referenced patent. An electronic payment in the amount of \$540.00 is submitted to cover the fee for the Notice of Appeal. Applicants also enclose a Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review.

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